

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 7, 2002

Amarie Natividad, Treasurer National Right to Life Political Action Committee 419 7th Street, NW, Suite 500 Washington, DC 20004

Identification Number:

C00111278

Reference:

Mid-Year Report (1/1/01-6/30/01)

Dear Ms. Natividad:

On February 13, 2002, you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your March 6, 2002, response is incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

-Line 10 of the Summary Page of your report discloses a total of \$0 in Debts and Obligations Owed by the Committee. The sum of the entries itemized on Schedule D, however, indicates the total to be \$300,911.29. Please amend your report to clarify the discrepancy.

- -Your report discloses an outstanding balance(s) beginning this period for a debt(s) owed to Western Union. However, an outstanding balance(s) at the close of the period was not disclosed on your 2000 Year End Report. Please amend your report(s) to clarify this discrepancy.
- -2 U.S.C. §434(b)(6)(B)(iii) requires that the supporting schedule for disclosing independent expenditures be signed by the treasurer and certified by a notary public. This is to attest to the fact that the expenditures were not made in cooperation, consultation, or consent with, or at the request or suggestion of any candidate, or any authorized committee or agent of such committee. Furthermore, please note that committees filing reports

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electronically must submit an electronic Schedule E, and also mail in a signed notarized paper copy of Schedule E. Please provide a paper copy of Schedule E. 11 CFR §104.18(h)

-You have filed a 24 hour notice(s) to support or oppose a federal candidate(s) for the Pennsylvania and Virginia Special Elections election. As an electronic filer, you must submit an electronic 24 hour notice(s), and also mail in a paper copy of the 24 hour notice Schedule E that contains the original signature of the treasurer and certification by a notary public. Please submit an electronic 24 hour notice(s). 11 C.F.R. §104.18(h)

-Commission Regulations require that a committee disclose the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. (11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i)) Identification for an individual is defined as the full name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer. (11 CFR §100.12) Your report discloses contributions from individuals for which the identification is not complete.

You must provide the missing information, or if you are unable to do so, you must demonstrate that "best efforts" have been used to obtain the information. To establish "best efforts," you must provide the Commission with a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. Establishing "best efforts" is a three-fold process.

First, your original solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and must inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. (11 CFR §104.7(b)(1))

Second, if the information is not provided, you must make one follow-up, stand alone effort to obtain this information, regardless of whether the contribution(s) was solicited or not. This effort must occur no later than 30 days after receipt of the contribution and may be in the form of a written request or an oral request documented in writing. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(2)) The request must:

- clearly ask for the missing information, without soliciting a contribution;
- inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information, and
- if the request is written, include a pre-addressed post card or return envelope.

Third, if you receive contributor information after the contribution(s) has been reported, you shall either a) file with your next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before your next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR §104.7(b)(4))

Please provide the missing information or a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. For more information on demonstrating "best efforts," please refer to the Campaign Guide.

Due to recent events, the United States Postal Service is experiencing delays in the processing and delivery of mail for the Washington D.C. area. Consequently, the Federal Election Commission is not in receipt of all incoming first-class mail. The Commission recommends that you resubmit your response to this notice and consider using alternate delivery services such as overnight delivery or delivery by courier. If feasible, your response can also be hand-delivered. You can verify the Commission's receipt of any documents submitted by your committee on the FEC website at www.FEC.gov.

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by March 27, 2002. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Angel Williamson on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

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